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TO: PATRICK OGAWA  
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Attention: Agenda Preparation

FROM: JENNIFER A.D. LEHMAN *JADL*  
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RE: Albin Alas, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 552707

Attached is the Agenda entry for the Los Angeles County Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board's recommendation in the above-referenced matter. Also attached is the Case Summary for the case.

It is requested that this recommendation and the Case Summary be placed on the Board of Supervisors' agenda of February 9, 2016.

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Attachments

Board Agenda

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

Los Angeles County Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board's recommendation: Authorize settlement of the matter entitled Albin Alas, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 552707 in the amount of \$500,000, and instruct the Auditor-Controller to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Sheriff's Department Contract Cities Trust Fund's budget.

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations and wrongful death involving the Sheriff's Department.

## **CASE SUMMARY**

### **INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION**

CASE NAME	Albin Alas, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER	BC552707
COURT	Los Angeles Superior Court
DATE FILED	July 24, 2014
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Sheriff's Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 500,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	Randy McMurray, Esq. McMurry & Henriks, LLP
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	Jonathan McCaverty Principal Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	<p>This is a recommendation to settle for \$500,000, inclusive of attorneys' fees and costs, the lawsuit filed by Albin Alas and her two minor children, Kenia Alas and Luis Alberto Mejia Alas, against the County of Los Angeles and Sheriff's Deputy Alejandro Ramirez alleging federal civil rights violations and State-law wrongful death claims arising out of the shooting death of Luiz Alonzo Juarez during a traffic stop on July 25, 2013, in the City of Compton.</p> <p>Due to the risks and uncertainties of litigation, a reasonable settlement at this time will avoid further litigation costs. Therefore, a full and final settlement of the case in the amount of \$500,000 is recommended.</p>
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$ 55,490
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 12,548